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Dear Ms. Hosse:

Please add my support for the recent Microsoft settlement. From everything that I have read, this appears to be a reasonable accord.

Our country has been paralyzed for some time now: we have a war going on overseas and we are now officially in a recession. An uplift is needed from some sector of our economy. I strongly believe that the settlement agreed upon will be the vehicle required to spur on new, and much-needed economic growth.

My reasoning is based on past economic performance. Microsoft has been a Goliath in our modern-day economy. They produced much of the gains made during the 1990's and have been the source for thousands of new businesses and hundreds of thousands of new jobs. Once this lawsuit is behind them, they will be able to begin producing the same kind of results for our languishing economy.

This settlement was good for the county. I understand that new Windows design obligations were agreed upon and that Microsoft agreed to share information regarding its Windows operating system. I'm pleased to know that this settlement was reached in such a timely manner.

Thank you for listening to my opinions on this issue.

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